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PROGRAM OF THE A.A.H.D.

P/ The American Academy of the History of Dentistry will hold its fifth annual meeting Friday, September 28, in the Blue Room of the Hotel Chalfonte, Atlantic City. The program is as follows:

Morning Session, 9:30
President's Address. John E. Gurley

"Some Early History of the Pennsylvania Association of Dental Surgeons." Harold L. Faggart

"Progress Report on the Centennial History of Dentistry."
Robert W. McCluggage

"The Early History of Dental Amalgam." George Dickson

Luncheon 12:15. Zodiac Room A
"Shakespeare and Dentistry." Gardner P. H. Foley

Afternoon Session 2:00 P.M.
"The Use of Porcelain in Dentistry from Pierre Fauchard (1728) to Charles H. Land (1847-1922)" Curt Proskauer

"The Life of Charles Henry Land (1847-1922)." L. Laszlo Schwartz

Business Session 3:30 P.M.
Report of Committees
Unfinished Business
New Business
Adjournment

Cocktail Hour 5:00 to 6:00
Sun Porch on Lounge Floor, Haddon Hall

The newly adopted seal of the Academy will be used for the first time on the program. On this seal, the three-legged pedestal, symbolic of organization, education, and literature of dentistry, surmounted by a flaming lamp, indicative of past achievement and future promise, is the central figure.

FEDERAL DENTAL MUSEUM

P/ A Museum of History and Technology, authorized by the law signed June 13 by President Eisenhower, will include a Hall of Medical History, a Hall of Dental History, and a Hall of Pharmaceutical History. It is expected that the Museum will

be completed about 1960 and will exhibit materials now shown in the Arts and Industries Building of the Smithsonian Institution.

Dr. George Griffenhagen, Acting Curator of the Division of Medicine and Public Health, of the Smithsonian Institution, who will be in charge, is seeking assistance from members of the American Academy of the History of Dentistry in the formulation of plans for the dental exhibit. He is particularly anxious to receive offers of original specimens illustrating equipment and instruments, significant in the history of dentistry. He may be addressed at the Smithsonian Institution.

EARLY RECORDS OF THE INDIANA STATE DENTAL ASSOCIATION

P/ In the controversy between Michigan and Indiana regarding priority of organization, Marcus L. Ward (Journal of the Michigan State Dental Association 38:37-38 Feb. 1956) wrote: "....my suspicion has grown that no records (of Indiana State Dental Association in 1858) are in existence, and that all concerned, like Dr. Gillis are relying upon Dental Newsletter, Cosmos, and Dental Register of the West." Lest Dr. Ward's suspicion be accepted as well founded, Jack D. Carr writes: "....I am happy to report that I have found them (the original records of the Indiana society). They had been misfiled in the Secretary's office; however, they are now in the care of the Association's Historian. Any historian who wishes to examine them may do so if he cares to visit the Library of the Indiana University School of Dentistry."

MORE CENTENNIALS AND HISTORIES

P/ Forthcoming centennary celebrations of several dental societies not previously mentioned in the Bulletin have been announced. A committee headed by Dr. J. E. Mahoney has been appointed to write the history of the Illinois State Dental Society for its one-hundreth anniversary in 1964. Dr. Jacob Sharp, historian of the Connecticut State Dental Association, has completed the history of that organization. It is now in the printer's hands and will be ready for distribution about October 15. The book will be published in a de luxe, limited autographed edition ($10.00), as well as in a regular edition ($5.00). There will be 19 chapters with 16 illustrations, an appendix including constitution and bylaws, code of ethics, a list of officers from 1864 to the present, and membership of 1955. Dr. Sharp, who left for the Canary Islands on August 11 to visit Spain, Portugal, and France, will continue his search in Europe for interesting items pertaining to the history of dentistry. John A. Evans, chairman of the History and Archives Committee of the Mississippi Dental Association, reports that a history of that organization since its formation in 1875 has been prepared largely by W. R. Wright. Plans for publication have not been completed (Journal of the Mississippi Dental Association 12:19-20 July 1956).